

1 February 1982
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Jordan Bureau Monthly Report - January 1982

I. GENERAL

A. Nicholas Veliotes, U.S. assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern affairs and former ambassador to Jordan, paid a short visit to Amman after accompanying Secretary of State Alexander Haig on his mid-January visit to Cairo and Tel Aviv. Veliotes gave an informal briefing to Embassy staffers on the background of Haig's visit and on his talks with King Husayn and other Jordanian officials.

B. On 28 January, King Husayn delivered a speech announcing the creation of the Al-Yarmuk forces to fight alongside Iraq against Iran. The recruiting office doors opened on 30 January, with the media reporting that thousands are signing up (there seems to be a great deal of doubt about that), but all local FBIS personnel have decided to do their fighting on the homefront armed with Bureau typewriters.

C. On 11 January, a bomb went off in a grocery store not far from the Embassy. Following an investigation, the Jordanian Interior Ministry accused the third secretary at the Syrian Embassy in Amman of planning the bombing and of hiring a Jordanian to carry it out. The third secretary wisely decided to flee back home across the border while the Syrian Government officially denied any involvement in the incident. A few days later, however, the Syrian Interior Ministry charged that Jordanian infiltrators had fired on a Syrian military patrol, killing its commander and wounding a civilian, and then fled back across the border under covering fire from Jordanian forces. The Jordanian Government admitted that there was a clash, but maintained that it was between Syrian military and Syrian Public Security Forces and that no Jordanians were involved.

D. When the ambassador was given a videotape on terrorism by the King to look at and could find no one with a compatible video system to view it, he turned to FBIS. The Bureau was able to borrow a local video recorder and run the tape for the ambassador and DCM. Purely by coincidence, the tape dealt with ex-CIA employees Wilson's and Terpil's involvement with Libya's Al-Qadhafi and the training of terrorists in that country.

E. The processing of the Bureau's vouchers suffered a setback when the Embassy B&F officer went to kill a mosquito (the little beasts are active year-round here) and leaped out of bed right into a wall, breaking both big toes and laying himself low for three weeks. He didn't say how the mosquito made out.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. Bureau began covering Manama WAKH, Abu Dhabi WAM and Doha QNA in Arabic on 23 January for Gulf Bureau after its Arabic printers developed problems.

B. Communications

1. A pony circuit was installed between the Bureau and the Embassy to allow the Embassy to receive all incoming and outgoing material directly. So far it has run smoothly.

2. The Bureau and Embassy satellite communications were down from 20-27 January due to problems with the Embassy antenna. The Bureau used two rtty circuits in operation with Athens for receiving incoming messages and installed a temporary pony line [] and an Extel reperforator so that the Bureau's outgoing messages could be sent []. Luckily, Regional Engineer [] was here at the time to install the Embassy pony line and was able to help keep the Bureau operating. Backlogs of incoming messages necessitated keeping the Bureau open extra hours and caused delays in receiving high priority traffic.

3. Began testing the unattended operation which allows the Bureau to receive incoming material all night but had to postpone the test after 3 days due to the antenna problem. We were pleased with the way it worked at this end but will have to wait for the results [] before we can determine whether we can make the system a permanent feature or not.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

A. Personnel

1. Deputy Bureau Chief [] departed PCS for Headquarters 2 January.

2. New Deputy Bureau Chief [] arrived PCS 18 January.

3. New Monitor Trainee [] entered on duty 10 January.

4. New Teletypist [] entered on duty 10 January.

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5. New Monitor Trainee [] departed Amman PCS for Nicosia Bureau 13 January.

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IV. VISITS

A. Regional Engineer [] was in Amman 20-27 January on TDY to install the pony line to the Embassy.

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ATTACHMENTS:

- A.
- B.
- C.

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JORDAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JANUARY 1982

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	165,640
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	45,680
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	603

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS

(MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	6,470	22,975	58.84

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

BAHRAIN	
MANAMA WAKH IN	
• ARABIC	2730
MANAMA WAKH IN	
ENGLISH	0
CLANDESTINE (IRAN AND IRAQ)	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRANIAN KURDESTAN IN	
BAHDINANI KURDISH	0
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRANIAN KURDESTAN IN	
SURANI KURDISH	0
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN	
ARABIC	0
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN	
BAHDINANI KURDISH	120
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN	
SURANI KURDISH	0
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN	
ARABIC	270
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN	
BAHDINANI KURDISH	0
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN	
SURANI KURDISH	0
CLANDESTINE (LEVANT)	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN	
ARABIC	8740
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN	
ENGLISH	4000
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF EGYPTIAN PEOPLE IN	
ARABIC	0

PARIS AL-MUSTASHMAL IN		
ARABIC		1790
PARIS AL-WATHAN AL-'ARABI IN		
ARABIC		0
IRAQ		
BAGHDAD VOICE OF THE MASSES IN		
ARABIC	10610	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	2100	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
SHADINANI KURDISH	0	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
SURANI KURDISH	0	
BAGHDAD VOICE OF EGYPT OF ARABISM IN		
ARABIC	0	
BAGHDAD VOICE OF ARAB SYRIA IN		
ARABIC	0	
BAGHDAD VOICE OF PALESTINE IN		
ARABIC	0	
BAGHDAD INA IN		
ARABIC	35440	
BAGHDAD INA IN		
ENGLISH	140	
BAGHDAD AL-JUMHURIYAH IN		
ARABIC		0
BAGHDAD RTH-THAWAH IN		
ARABIC		0
ISRAEL		
JERUSALEM IN		
ARABIC TO THE ARAB WORLD	3990	
JERUSALEM AL-FAJR IN		
ARABIC		0
JERUSALEM AL-WITHAQ IN		
ARABIC		0
JERUSALEM AL-QUDS IN		
ARABIC		0
JERUSALEM ASH-SHA'B IN		
ARABIC		0
JERUSALEM RT-TALIAH IN		
ARABIC		0
JORDAN		
AMMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	15420	
AMMAN DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	5660	
AMMAN DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN		
ENGLISH	3710	
AMMAN PETRA-JNA IN		
ARABIC	1240	

ARABIC 2650

AMMAN AKHBAR AL-USBU' IN

ARABIC 130

AMMAN AR-RAY'Y IN

ARABIC 2220

AMMAN JORDAN TIMES IN

ENGLISH 2870

MONACO

MONTE CARLO RADIO MONTE CARLO IN

ARABIC 2530

QATAR

DOHA QNA IN

ARABIC 710

SUDAN

CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN

ARABIC 0

KHARTOUM SUNA IN

ARABIC 17370

KHARTOUM SUNA IN

ENGLISH 1960

SYRIA

DAMASCUS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN

ARABIC 22310

DAMASCUS DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN

ARABIC 1600

DAMASCUS VOICE OF ARABS EGYPT IN

ARABIC 0

DAMASCUS VOICE OF IRAQ IN

ARABIC 0

DAMASCUS SANA IN

ARABIC 10770

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

ABU DHABI WAM IN

ARABIC 530

UNITED KINGDOM

LONDON REUTER IN

ENGLISH 1250

YEMEN (YAR)

SANA' DOMESTIC SERVICE IN

ARABIC 2700

ATTACHMENT ③

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COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

1. Total wirefiled FBIS wordage during January 82 was 211,320, a decrease of 18,610 compared with December 81. The highest daily total was 14,400 on 6 January, while the lowest was 3500 on 17 January. The daily average was 6817 compared with 7417 in December 81.

2. All wordage was filed over the Embassy [] circuit except for 6770 words filed via telev and 44,040 words filed HF RTTY [] during the 20-28 January outage.

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3. The following is a breakdown of total outgoing/incoming wordage, figures include reruns:

<u>OUTGOING</u>	<u>WORDAGE</u>	<u>ITEMS</u>
FBIS	196,300	871
DAO/MAP	41,200	366
Svc Msgs	6,250	625
TOTALS	243,750	1,862

<u>INCOMING</u>	<u>WORDAGE</u>	<u>ITEMS</u>
FBIS	455,200	1,942
DAO/MAP	252,300	779
STATE	643,200	2,257
Svc Msgs	8,420	842
TOTALS	1,359,120	5,820

ATTACHMENT C

ENGINEERING REPORT

1. Received

- A. Two wire marker sets from Nicosia.
- B. Nine EXTEL P/N 17663 needle and plunger assemblies from HQS.
- C. One extender cable P/N 9036 f/u/w EXTEL AF-11. One test cable P/N 9131 f/u/w EXTEL B-315. One extender board P/N 9135 f/u/w EXTEL B-315. One extender board P/N 9136 f/u/w EXTEL B-315. All received from HQS.
- D. Four EXTEL B-315 grounding kits P/N 17345 from HQS.
- E. Four resistors for EXTEL B-315 P/N 2089-007 from HQS.

2. Sent

- 1. One each ITT CREED power supply unit and main P.C. board to London.